

REMARKS

The Examiner objected to the specification because the specification makes reference to co-pending patent applications for which serial numbers are not provided.

Applicants have amended the specification to include the missing patent application serial numbers.

The Examiner rejected claims 6, 12, and 19 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, first paragraph, as failing to comply with the enablement requirement. More specifically, the Examiner stated that the Examiner was unable to locate a portion of the specification wherein the predetermined number of cycles used to determine if a control signal was received is equal to zero.

Applicants have canceled claim 6 and has amended claims 12 and 19 to require that the predetermined number of cycles is one cycle.

The Examiner rejected claims 1 – 3 and 5 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 6,260,096 to Eskandari. The Examiner also noted that claim 4, which depends from claim 2, which depends from claim 1, contains allowable matter.

Applicants have amended independent claim 1 to include the limitations of claim 2 and claim 4. In addition, Applicants have canceled claims 2 and 4. Thus, independent claim 1, as amended, together with dependent claims 3 and 5 are believed to be allowable.

The Examiner rejected claim 7, which depends from claim 1, under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 6,260,096 to Eskandari. The Examiner also noted that claim 4, which depends from claim 2, which depends from claim 1, contains allowable matter. As discussed above, claim 1, as amended, includes the limitations of claim 2 and 4. Thus, claim 7, which depends from amended claim 1, is believed to be allowable.

CONCLUSION

It is submitted that the present application is presently in form for allowance. Such action is respectfully requested.

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